

Item 178

Carlton Parish Council

To: Carlton Parish Council

From: Clerk to Carlton Parish Council

Date: 23rd April 2023

Clerk's Report on Matters since the Parish Council meeting held on 28th March 2023

1. Cemetery

- i) There have been two Exclusive Right of Burial plot purchases, and three interments in April 2023 with revenue of £2215.00 gained.
- ii) The cemetery waste bins commercial contract was signed on 4th April 2023 and returned to SDC Waste Management Team. 3x 360L bins have been ordered, to be collected fortnightly plus waste licence at £927.50 per annum.
- iii) A plot owner emailed with anger stating that after reading the CWG meeting minutes on the website she would not give permission to have her son's memorial removed to enable the works to be completed for wall repairs. I explained that this work was a necessary and urgent requirement due to potential health & safety issues, but as it would be a little into the future she would be contacted as and when the works was imminent.

As per my email sent on 6th April, the cemetery rules needs to be re-addressed to cover this type of occurrence/ works.

- iv) The memorial paid to be re-set by the council has now been corrected, with a new base plinth to add stability to it.

The corrective work on the memorial of the Farrow family is still to be completed but should be done so by the end of April 2023.

2. Local Issues, News and Updates

- i) A resident has contacted me regarding the issue of parked cars along Hepworth Lane, which was reported to almost cause an accident. As there are no parking restrictions other than the Highway Code rule concerning parking distance from a junction, there was nothing that I could do other than asking her to report the incident to NYC Highways and to the Police if she thought it was appropriate.
- ii) A resident contacted me by email concerned about the continual apparent use of the area for customer parking around the cemetery and Fairfield Avenue, Carlton, by the commercial garage on Station Road, Carlton. I suggested that the resident call to have a chat with the garage owner to raise his concerns.
- iii) I have received a number of emails which forwarded the senders objections to the Wade House Lane, Drax, solar farm planning application. I thanks them for the information and ensured that they were aware to contact the district/county planning department to lodge their objections.

3. Allotments & Gravel Hole Field Rental

- i) All invoices have been issued on 1st April 2023 for the annual rental of the allotments and field. The payment date was noted as by 30th April 2023. So far the field rental has been received (£200.00) and three tenants have paid (£52.50), with four still to pay (I will chase these).
- ii) A tenant has responded to an email sent, to push to tidy their plot, and felt that he was threatened with having the plot taken off him, when he had not really worked the plot. As he was sent the invoice and did not raise any issues, nor pay the invoice a further communication was sent to determine whether he still wanted to rent the plot. He does not wish to continue to rent the plot.

Recommendation to council: That the Cemetery Rules are reconsidered to redress the potential of essential works being completed in the cemetery and to structures within.